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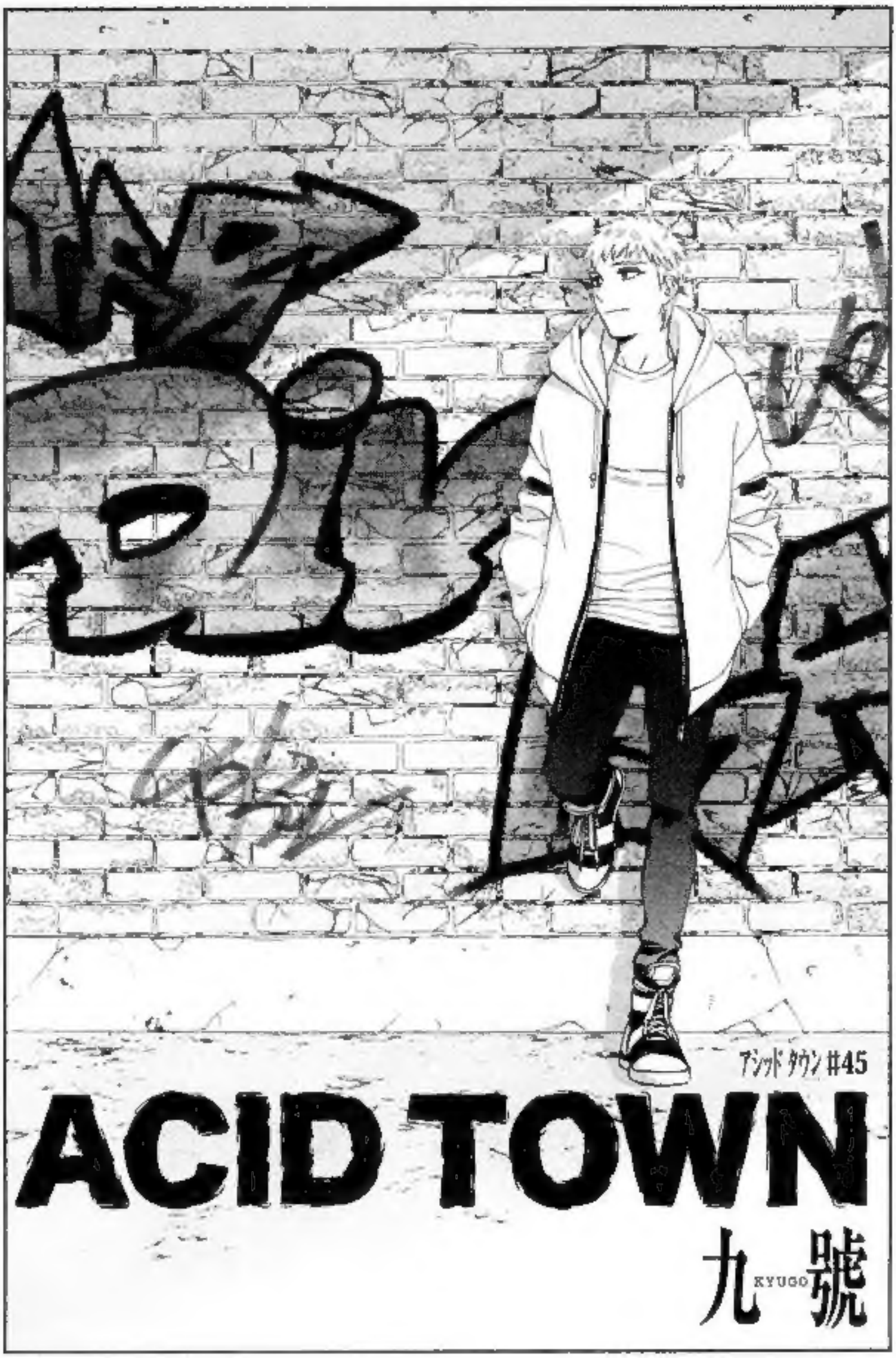
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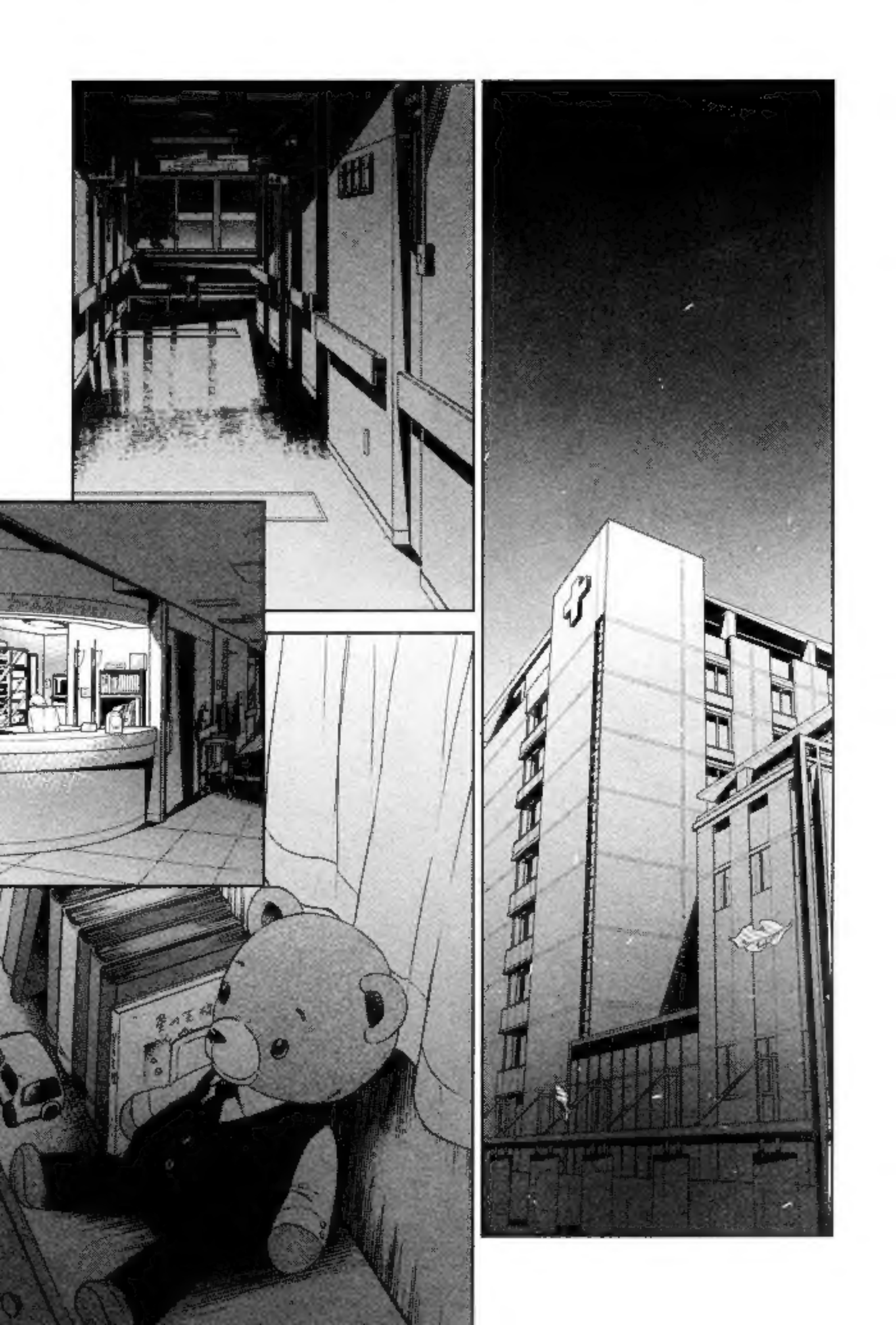

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... WAS KIND OF WEIRD.
THE GUY I MET TODAY...

"I'M NOT MAD."

"HAHA, IT'S ALRIGHT."

HE REMINDED ME A BIT...

... OF MY BIG BROTHER.

... BEFORE THAT PERSON IS LOST TO YOU FOREVER."

BUT...

"THEN BECOME STRONG..."

WHAT DOES "LOST TO YOU FOREVER" MEAN?

HOW DO I BECOME STRONGER?

SQUEEZE

HE WAS KINDA SCARY...

BROTHER'S ALWAYS THE ONE WHO PROTECTS ME.

...

NO! I MIGHT BE LIKE THIS NOW,

BUT, I WANT TO BE SOMEONE WHO CAN PROTECT MY BROTHER!

ONE DAY...

... WILL I END UP LIKE THAT LADY?

CLONK

MY HEART'S POUNDING...

!

BIG BROTHER ...

KEEP QUIET.

BROTHER...!

DON'T WORRY ABOUT YOUR BROTHER.
!
I'VE GOT SOMEONE ON IT.
HUH ...?
HE SHOULD GET THE JOB DONE.
...

WHA,

DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT!

B-BJT

...

WE'RE LIKE SUPER BEST BUDS!

ARE YOJ REALLY ONE OF BIG BROTHER'S FRIENDS?

SHIT HOW DO I MAKE HIM BELIEVE ME?

PURRRR

IS THAT GUY REALLY OKAY...?

WELL, JUST IN CASE, I GAVE HIM A LITTLE WACK OVER THE HEAD, BUT

He's fine, totally fine

...

HE'S JUST SLEEPIN' OFF A LITTLE MEDICINE

I TOLDJA, HE'S FINE!

WHAT'S "HEILONG"?

LIKE THE GUYS WHO HAVE BEEN KEEPING AN EYE ON YOU, BUT WORSE.

ANYWAY, I'M GONNA GET YOU OUTTA HERE SO YOU CAN SEE YUKIO, SO DON'T WORRY!

O-OKAY

ANY-WAY!

!

DO YOU GOT IT, JUN?

I'M GONNA MOVE YOU SOMEWHERE SAFE.

IT'S NOT SAFE HERE ANYMORE

EVEN THE NURSES MIGHT ALREADY BE ON THE HEILONG'S SIDE

HANDA'S AN IDIOT, BUT,

HE'S PRETTY STRONG, SO DON'T WORRY.

HE ONLY WANTS TO MESS UP MY LIFE,

AND HE PROBABLY THINKS YOU'RE NOTHING MORE THAN A FAVORITE TOY

WANG'S JUST GETTING A KICK OUT OF HOW YOU REACT WHEN YOU'RE HELPLESS.

YOU DON'T NEED TO DEBASE YOURSELF ANYORE.

I WON'T LET YOU PLAY ALONG WITH THAT SCUMBAG.

YOU CAN RUN AWAY.
YOU CAN LEAVE IT TO ME.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO CARRY IT ALL ON YOUR SHOULDERS ANYMORE.
...

!
I ALWAYS...

"DON'T LOSE..."

THOSE WORDS WERE SOMETIMES LIKE A CURSE

"BE HAPPY."

HAPPY?

HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO BE HAPPY..

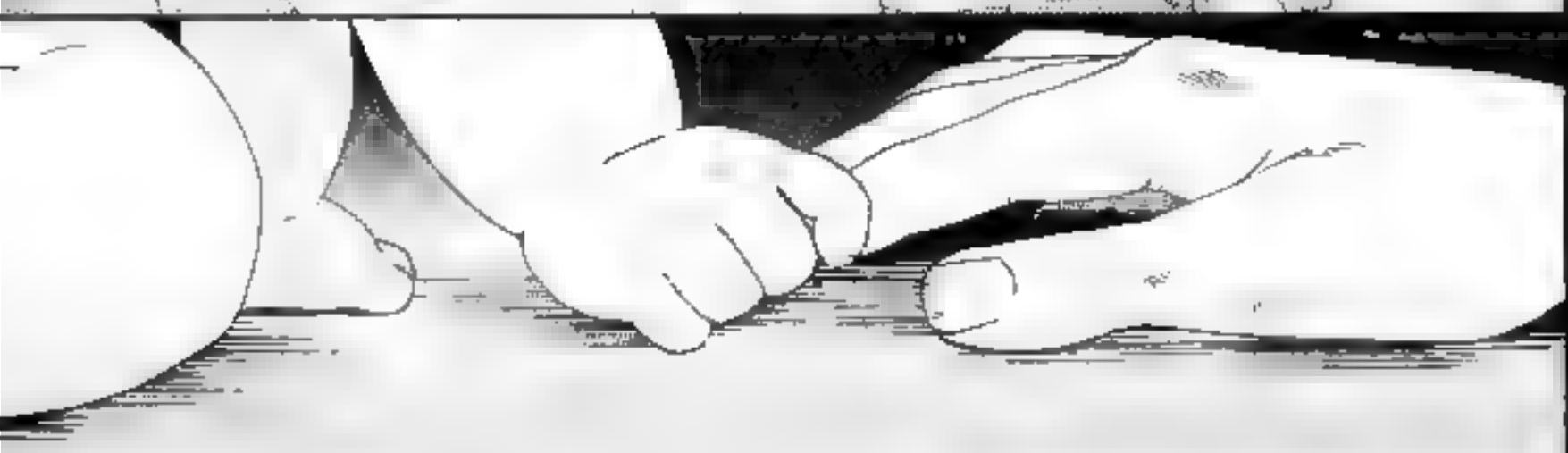
... IN THIS HELL?

ALWAYS...

... HOPED SOMEONE WOULD SAY THAT.

MORE THAN ANYTHING,

I WISHED YOU'D TAKEN ME WITH YOU.



AFTER I STARTED THE FIRE AND RAN AWAY,

WITHOUT A HOME, OR MONEY, OR ENOUGH TO EAT, JUN'S BODY KEPT GETTING WEAKER AND WEAKER.

BUT I COULDN'T DO IT.

LIFE WAS TOUGH AS ALWAYS,

BUT IT WAS SO MUCH FUN WITH HIM.

ALL THAT CHANGED WHEN I MET TETSU.

IN THE END, SELLING MY BODY AGAIN FOR CASH...

...WAS THE BEST WAY TO MAKE MONEY.

THAT'S RIGHT...

JUST LIKE HOW THESE SCARS ON MY BACK WILL NEVER GO AWAY,

IN THE END, NO MATTER HOW MUCH I STRUGGLE, I JUST KEEP SINKING DEEPER.

THAT "RETRIBUTIVE JUSTICE" HE SPOKE ABOUT

BUT,

IT WAS ALWAYS SOMEWHERE IN THE BACK OF MY HEART,

I CAN'T ESCAPE...

IF I...

... JUST GIVE UP...

YUKIO...

YUKIO,

YOU'VE ALREADY DONE ENOUGH.

MOM AND JUN... YOU DID A GOOD JOB PROTECTING THEM.

DAD...?

IT'S OKAY.

YOU CAN REST NOW.

THAT'S NOT TRUE...

I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING...

MOM, SHE...

DON'T FORGET,

YOU'RE NOT ALONE.

WAIT!

JUST LEAVE IT ALL TO ME.

WAIT...

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UM...

YUKI...?

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...

...

ARE YOU OKAY?

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